

ATTACK "PEACE AT ANY PRICE"

Manifesto Signed by Leaders Says Henry Ford is Wrong.

International News Service.

NEW YORK, May 26.—"Peace at any price" is attacked strongly in a manifesto signed by labor leaders, churchmen, social reformers, publicists, authors, suffragists and public officials and made public here today.

While Henry Ford's statement that "not one per cent of the American people want war" is "needed to be true, the manifesto declares that "not one per cent want peace at any price."

The manifesto says that 13 out of 22 peace programs of the world issued by Henry Ford's Stockholm bureau emphasize the need of military power to enforce national law.

The United States is summoned to take steps necessary to play its part in enforcing international justice, as well as for self defense, and an alliance between America and other democratic and peacefully inclined nations for international action is recommended.

The signers of the manifesto include: John B. Andrews, secretary American association labor legislation; Irving Bacheller, author; George D. Bartlett, Dean Divinity school, Philadelphia; Dante Barton, committee of industrial relations; Mrs. Charles Sumner Bird, Massachusetts; Peter J. Brady, Allied Printing Trades council; John Graham Brooks, Cambridge, Mass.; Parkes S. Cadman, Central Congressional, Brooklyn; Alice Carpenter, association of Woman's Suffrage; Joseph Blount Cheshire, bishop of North Carolina; Katherine Bennett Davis, head of New York City prison system; George William Douglas, Union Theological seminary; Hugh Frayne, general organizer American Federation of Labor; Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, formerly of U. S. industrial commission; Timothy Healy, president International Brotherhood of Stationery Firemen; Reginald Wright Kauffman, author; Jerome B. Keating, International Molders' conference; Samuel McCune Lindsay, publisher; Henry Noble MacCracken, president of Vassar college; Alexander Mann, rector Trinity church, Boston; Samuel Merwin, author; Charles K. Nelson, bishop of Atlanta; Gifford Pinchot, Pennsylvania; Charles Edward Russell, author; Joseph Silverman, president eastern council rabbis; J. W. Sullivan, International Typographical union; William English Walling, author; William Allen White, Emporia, Kas.; Charles D. Williams, bishop of Michigan; Elwood Worcester, Emmanuel church, Boston.

The manifesto reads as follows: Henry Ford's statement that not one per cent of the American people want war is true, but it is also true that not one per cent want "peace at any price." If the public opinion of America adopted this attitude it would tend to prolong the present war and to lay the foundation for future wars. It would be profoundly anti-democratic and anti-American, and would work against all principles of humanity and international justice.

We are told almost daily that even in the extreme cases of aggression there are substitutes for war. In face of the testimony of the overwhelming majority of well-informed, responsible pacifist authorities, e. g., John A. Hobson, Louis Dickinson, Terrance Russell and Hamilton Holt, (their number grow daily) we are told that a wise and humane government may avoid war in every instance by the means of peace tribunals or commercial boycotts, without the backing either of national armaments, an international police, or of a league to enforce peace. Such irresponsible and misleading statements ignore the fact that aggressive military powers rejected the idea of an effective international peace tribunal before the outbreak of the present struggle, and have since announced that they will resist by force of arms any effort to use economic pressure to compel them

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This photograph shows a large number of pack mules en route to the United States troops in Mexico, with supplies. The mules will be retained at the front to take the places of animals killed or diseased in earlier engagements.

to accept the world's idea of international justice.

Of 22 peace programs of the world, collected and published by Henry Ford's bureau in Stockholm, 13 see the absolute necessity of the use of military power to enforce international law (present and future), and to preserve peace. These organizations advocate either "an international police force" or the use of military power against any government refusing arbitration. The list includes the International Peace bureau, the World Peace foundation, the Scandinavian Peace congress, the Woman's Peace party, the Chicago Federation of Peace Forces, the League to Enforce Peace, the New York Peace society, the British Fabian society, and the American socialist party. In case of armed resistance an international police force exists for the sole purpose of using military power.

Pending the creation of an international police force or of a league to enforce peace, the military power needed to enforce international justice lies in the hands of the democratic nations, including the United States. It is our duty to all other nations and to the cause of world peace to resist military aggression, and military aggression does not con-

sist exclusively in actual invasion (as some ultra-pacifists contend).

If restricted to defense against actual invasion, America would abandon the right to act on behalf of international justice or to preserve world peace or make it permanent. She could afford to Cuba, South America, Mexico or Panama no protection from foreign aggression. Even in times of world peace all or any overseas exports, including agricultural products, could be forbidden. Not only could foreign governments kill Americans along with other non-combatants with perfect impunity—they could single out Americans for slaughter. Even in times of world peace, Americans could be prohibited from sailing any seas, whether in American or foreign vessels—and it must not be forgotten that this right to use ships is no privilege, but an every-day necessity, as vital and indispensable to the people of the coast regions as is the right to use railroads to the people of the middle west. None of these acts would constitute invasion of the United States.

We protest that it is a gross injustice to the American people to suppose that they are not willing, in case of necessity, to use all the means in their possession to defend these international principles, and the ideals of democracy established

in this country. The American people, on the contrary, believe that the extension of democracy is the only way by which permanent peace can be secured. The goal of all true lovers of peace must be the joint international action of the democratic and peacefully inclined nations.

KILLED IN CLAN FIGHT

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 26.—June Kimball was shot and killed and Calvin and George Lacey were seriously wounded when members of the two families met near Clinton in Wayne county Thursday, according to a report reaching here. Rafael Lacey, who also took part in the fight, is being sought by the authorities, the report said.

The fight is said to have started over the settlement or division of some grain raised by the Lacey family on June Kimball's farm. The Kimball and Lacey families are prominent in Wayne county and it is said bad feeling has existed between them for some time.

Studebaker branches and dealers throughout New England recently staged a unique fête, known as "May Day" week and featured by specially decorated show rooms and unusual floral displays. The celebration was the first of its kind ever held.

VOTE FAVORABLY ON PREPAREDNESS

U. S. Chamber of Commerce in Referendum Finds Sentiment is Nation Wide.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—Advanced preparedness steps, including universal military training, a building program that would restore the nation to second place among the world's naval powers, and an army increase that would meet the recommendations of the general staff, have been endorsed by overwhelming majorities in a referendum just completed among commercial organizations throughout the country holding membership in the chamber of commerce of the United States.

The referendum which officials of the chamber declared Thursday night had furnished the first authoritative index to preparedness sentiment among the business men, brought out the largest vote yet received in the series of canvasses made by the organization of public questions. Member bodies in 43 states and in Alaska, the Philippines and Hawaii participated.

889-56 on Universal Training. On the broad question of "general preparedness" 979 organizations voted favorably and only eight negatively. The vote for universal military training was 889 to 56. The navy increases proposed in the query submitted were endorsed 952 to 10 and the army increases 946 to 21.

A proposal to create a council of national defense to aid in developing the army and navy along the lines of a continuous policy and to act in an advisory capacity with the president and congress was favored, 912 to 46. A correlative proposal for a staff of industrial mobilization to aid the defense council by insuring effective availability of the nation's economic resources was given 925 favorable votes to 47 against it. Creation of a general staff of the navy was endorsed 946 to 19, while 960 votes were recorded in favor of additional officers of the regular army and an officers' reserve corps, and only nine against. By a vote of 935 to 29, the members approved a proposal for an adequate munitions reserve. Under another plan, endorsed 940 to 26, the purchase price of munitions in war time would be fixed by a pre-arranged agreement between manufacturers and the government.

"Soldiers' wives are entitled to separate allowances," says a British writer, "and, if they are killed, to pensions." This shows that problems can be more fatal than bullets.—Winona, Minn., Republican-Herald.



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